

TOTAL LOSS OF 1,540,000 SLAIN DURING GREAT WAR

MARCH 1. FOR THE REVOLUTIONARY MOVEMENT IN GERMANY IS IMMINENT, ACCORDING TO A REPORT REACHING LONDON THROUGH HOLLAND TODAY. IT IS ADDED THAT CHANCELLOR SCHEIDEMANN HAS RESIGNED.

Munich Soldiers and Workmen's Congress Takes Action, According to Zurich Dispatch.

BULLETIN.

LONDON, March 1.—A further revolutionary movement in Germany is imminent, according to a report reaching London through Holland today. It is added that Chancellor Scheidemann has resigned.

PARIS, March 1.—The soldiers and workmen's congress at Munich has declared martial law for all of Bavaria, according to a Zurich dispatch to the Matin.

GOVERNMENT SOLDIERS REOCCUPY DUSSELDORF

COPENHAGEN, March 1.—Munster government troops entered Dusseldorf Friday and occupied the railway stations and public buildings. Spartan leaders escaped and the town is quiet, according to Berlin advices received here.

SPARTACANS GIVE UP TOWN AND MUNITIONS

BASEL, March 1.—Spartan forces offered very feeble resistance to the government troops when the latter took Hamburg on Thursday and gave up two cannon, 2,000 rifles and the quantity of munitions. At Essen the Spartans are now estimated at 5,100.

If the strike continues at Erfurt there will be a strike by the bourgeoisie as a protest against disorders.

DETAILS OF IRISH LEADER'S ESCAPE MADE KNOWN

PARIS, March 1. (By the Associated Press).—While the newspapers of the United Kingdom are still speculating over the mysterious escape from Lincoln prison in England of Edward De Valera, Sinn Fein leader, the manner in which he executed his escape Feb. 3 has been known here. It was related in the Associated Press by Sean O'Connell, prominent Sinn Fein leader, here making the peace conference to recognize the "provisional government of the Irish republic."

The next morning the midnight arrest of Edward De Valera near his home in Greystown. Mr. O'Connell began, "he, with 12 comrades, was sent to Lincoln prison, the other Sinn Fein leaders being distributed. Because of De Valera's importance, the strictest watch was maintained upon the prison."

"After the general elections were held the first meeting of the republicans was held Jan. 7. A committee was appointed to take charge of the question of release of incarcerated Sinn Fein leaders and the first result was the escape of De Valera."

"The committee selected men for the job who had been tried by the British and were known to be reliable. The first task was to survey the prison and discover possibilities of a forcible escape. The prison was located just outside the back gate was a small patch on which the prisoners were allowed to exercise under guard. This place was surrounded by barbed wire entanglements."

"Several armed wardens watched the prisoners and at sunset troops were brought on the prison. Because of this, it was decided to be unwise to try to rush the place."

"The next morning was to communicate with De Valera. One Sinn Fein member, working on a garden plot, attracted De Valera's attention by singing Sinn Fein songs. This was the signal for the escape attempt which was made to rescue him."

"This man appeared several days later and using a ball in which he hid a key, he made his escape. He was the most feasible for the attempt, asking De Valera to secure an impression of the key. The impression was secured. This was the key to the escape. He was then taken to the prison and the escape attempt was made to rescue him."

"While this was going on four Sinn Fein men had escaped from the back gate. The sentries at the rear of the prison were a grave menace and the committee tried to find girls in the neighborhood to influence them. A telegram was sent to Dublin for two handsome young women, both cultured university graduates, who arrayed themselves as shopgirls and crossed the back wire."

"The girls deliberately set out to flirt with the soldiers and came to know most of the guards. De Valera was informed by code in a letter that Feb. 5 was set for his escape and the procedure to be followed was outlined."

"On the eve of Feb. 5 four motor cars packed with Irishmen were sent wandering about the country near Lincoln as decoys for the police. At 4 o'clock the prisoners were brought in from their exercise. They then had a three-hour period for wandering about the prison before being locked up."

"In the dusk, shortly after 4 o'clock, the girls appeared and enticed the guards from the rear of the prison as far as possible. Then two Sinn Fein men quickly cut a path through the back wire."

"At 5 o'clock De Valera, with McGarry and Milroy (the two Sinn Fein men who escaped with De Valera) snatched the back gate. Their friends outside crept up and opened the gate with the false key while the sentries continued their flirtation with the girls. An automobile was waiting and De Valera was whisked away to London, while the police chased the decoy motor."

"Where is De Valera now? I cannot state, but he will be here on time when he is wanted."

WILSON'S PAYING PENALTY OF PAST SOLON ALCOFNESS

Lawrence Shows, However, That Full Discussion of World League by Congress Will Have Good Points As Well As Bad.

BY DAVID LAWRENCE, The News-Scimitar's Special Correspondent.

WASHINGTON, March 1.—President Wilson is paying the penalty nowadays for his voluntary or involuntary detachment from congress in the last two years. Democrats as well as Republicans are not overenthusiastic about Mr. Wilson's attitude of condescending frankness at this time in contrast to the moments—especially last December—when they sought specific information about foreign affairs, and were quietly ignored.

Mr. Wilson's friends offer the explanation that he was too absorbed in the delicate and difficult task of foreign policy to give his time to conference with members of congress, or that he was merely feeling his way through a trying situation and couldn't be any more specific than he was. On the other hand, men in congress feel they could have been treated with as much candor as they were going to get. Now that Mr. Wilson is answering questions freely and apparently unboomer himself, he is making some headway, but it is not a circumstance to which he could have accomplished heretofore, being closer attached to congress.

There began yesterday a swing toward the league of nations ideas. Men who had opposed it now claim to be in favor of the principle. That is something. Indeed, the opposition can be divided into two classes—those who dislike the league of nations because Mr. Wilson is championing it and those who are against an entanglement in European affairs.

"The opposition of the latter is based upon convictions of tradition and precedent. The more they hear of European conditions, the more they are convinced that the American people care about entering into a hard and fast covenant to help Europe in every emergency. If they could have been present in Paris and watched the American delegates as they sought at every turn to safeguard the freedom of action of the United States, they would have no fear now of an excessive surrender of sovereignty."

Admit Surrender. The American delegates will admit that there is some surrender of sovereignty, but they will also argue that nations give up sovereignty every time they sign any treaty concerning future action in any part of the world.

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FIRST DEATH DUE TO IMPURE WATER

Count of Bad Germs Still High, But Officials Claim Improvement.

The first death charged directly to contaminated water caused by the water supply being infected by the collapse of a shaft of the artesian water department in a section where a city had burst was that of Newton A. McRae, 72 years old, of 1510 Lamar avenue, who died Thursday.

The cause of death was given by Dr. E. H. Hynes, attending physician, was "dysentery from contaminated city water."

The count of colonies of water taken from different points Friday showed: Christian Brothers college, 350; Jefferson and Third, 110; courthouse, 100; Main and Madison, 85; 123 High street, 60; Main and Saffarans, 55; Poplar and High, 50; Jackson and High, 45; Chelsea and Sixth, 22; and Bleckford and Second, 16.

The health authorities state that while the count is high, this condition is due to the agitation of the sediment in the pipes from the flushing process and that conditions are really improved.

They are now starting out on a campaign to flush the house faucets, the doing of which goes through the meters while its employees are flushing the house connections.

Until further notice all drinking water in the area west of Bellevue boulevard and north of Calhoun avenue should be boiled.

Water east of Bellevue and south of Calhoun is pure.

PUT OFF HUN ASSEMBLY.

BASEL, March 1.—The indefinite postponement of the convening of the Prussian national assembly has been announced by the Prussian ministry, says an official dispatch received here from Weimar today.

The assembly was to have been convened on March 1, because of the present difficulties of transportation.

THE WEATHER

Tennessee—Partly cloudy; warmer Sunday and in West Saturday night. Mississippi—Fair, rising temperature Sunday; probably frost Saturday night. Arkansas—Increasing cloudiness; warmer; Sunday rain, warmer, except in northwest. Alabama—Fair, rising temperature Sunday, probably frost Saturday night. Kentucky—Fair; Sunday cloudy, rising temperature. Louisiana—Increasing cloudiness; warmer, except in southeast; Sunday unsettled, warmer. Oklahoma—Cloudy, probably rain, warmer. East Texas—Unsettled, probably rain in north, warmer except in northwest, warmer in extreme east Sunday. West Texas—Cloudy, probably rain or snow in Panhandle; somewhat colder in Panhandle Sunday. North and South Carolina—Fair and colder. Georgia—Fair, colder in east and south. Florida—Cloudy and colder, probably rain in peninsula; Sunday fair.

SHOCK OF GASES FOLLOWS; PEOPLE HELPLESS

Demands of Company Upon Consumers Just Out Double What They Ought To Be. Doctors Will Act Tuesday.

COOKS MAY CABLE SONS FOR MASKS

Leo Goodman, Commissioner of Public Utilities, Is Silent and Monteverde Says Company Has Not Replied.

Health department says boil all drinking water west of Bellevue and north of Calhoun. Gas leak Saturday morning shut off gas and broke down water went entirely out. No diminution in speed of gas meters noted. "Quendam turn Catalina!"

Consumers of gas, so-called, in Memphis are paying a premium for the inferior quality of the gas being furnished to the homes by the Memphis Gas and Electric company. Universally the gas bills received by the consumers for the month of February are outrageous. Some are double the normal figures, and others even triple. To cite the climbing charge made upon one consumer is sufficient to show how expensive it is for Memphis to use inferior gas and breathe noxious fumes. This consumer's bill from Aug. 20 to Sept. 20, for both gas and electricity, was \$4.28. His bill for Nov. 20 to Dec. 20 was \$1.80 for gas alone. From Dec. 20 to Jan. 20, \$4.20 for gas alone; Jan. 20 to Feb. 20, \$4.20 for gas alone.

Indignation reached a pitch of intensity higher than any it has yet attained among the consumers who received their bills Friday and Saturday. They have been patient, but there was but one job, and their supply of this amiable commodity was cut off. The consumers have indicated that the threatened statement from the gas company will not be accepted. They do not want "words," they want gas. What they want is gas. They do not want the kind which in American slang is also known as "hot air"—but good gas, which will give a maximum of heat and is nonpoisonous.

Leo Goodman, commissioner of public utilities, was approached by The News-Scimitar Saturday with the hope that he would say something to the people which would reassure them and show that his department is looking out after their interests and working for their relief. He declined to talk on this subject for publication.

The average citizen who consumes gas—so-called—is not so reticent, however. Ask him what he thinks of the situation and he will begin to give vent to his feelings. He will tell you that he has been decidedly sulphurous than the times which the gas—so-called—gives off in the kitchens of the households of the city.

The question of forcing the gas company to improve the gas supply will be put before the Memphis and Shelby County Medical society on next Tuesday night, according to a statement made by Dr. Campbell, president of the society.

This is a regular meeting of the society, and coming as soon as it does, will probably be the last of the kind. Had the regular meeting been farther off a special one would have been called to consider the menace. "It is an urgent matter," said Dr. Campbell, "and we must do something about it. The regular meeting is so near there would hardly be any advantage in calling a meeting."

Dr. Campbell urged to be done, and done promptly. Dr. Campbell said, during the course of his conversation on the matter, "We don't want to be suffocated."

The suggestion that the wives and mothers who do their cooking don't gas masks to protect their nasal and bronchial organs has created a great deal of interest. It is said that some mothers are considering writing to their sons abroad asking them to bring their gas masks home with them for "mother" to combat the stove as he combated the Hun.

However, they expect their men folk to get some better gas somehow before they have to take to hiding their noses behind gas masks. A gas mask is an ugly thing. It will be unbecoming in any way it is worn, and most women had just about as soon die as take to wearing one. Mayor Monteverde stated Saturday morning that he had as yet received no word from the gas company relative to his latest demand for better gas. He expects a reply Monday.

TEMPERATURES BELOW NORMAL PREDICTED

WASHINGTON, March 1.—Weather predictions for the week beginning Monday, issued by the weather bureau today, show a cold wave from the north, with temperatures below normal.

South Atlantic and east Gulf states, disturbances attended by rains will be in force all the week. Tuesday and again about Friday. Temperatures will average near or below normal during the week.

West Gulf states, Ohio and Tennessee, disturbances attended by rains and snow will cover these regions Monday and again Thursday or Friday. Temperatures will be below normal much of the coming week.

PLAN SHIPPING CONFAB.

NEW YORK, March 1.—A shipping conference to be attended by representatives of the shipping board, the navy and the railroad administration will be held in this city March 4, it was announced today.

The conference will be held in the transportation building. The speakers will include experts on shipping and transportation.

NEGRO TROOPS ARRIVE.

NEW YORK, March 1.—The steamship Sobral arrived today from Brazil with 2,655 troops. These include mostly national army negro troops of the 2nd division—First and Second battalions headquarters, sanitary and ordnance detachments, supply and machine gun companies and Companies B, C, D, E and F, all of the 357th infantry and the 49th machine gun battalion company, except for flight officers. The troops will be distributed among Camps Upton, Lee, Devens, Travis, Pike, Custer, Lewis, Sherman and Meade.

FIRE SOON EXTINGUISHED.

Fire originating in the roof of the Madison avenue, at 756 Calhoun Saturday morning, was in a good way extinguished. It was the coldest light fire fireman experienced this winter, and considerable water was used. Only the roof was damaged and the loss was held to a few hundred dollars.

RUSSIA GREATEST SUFFERER IN HUGE CONFLICT LOSSES

WASHINGTON, March 1.—Battle deaths during the war among all participants, as far as available statistics show, were given today by Gen. March as 7,354,000. This represents only men killed in action or died of wounds.

In the list prepared by the general staff, Russia led with a total of 1,700,000; Germany was second with 1,600,000, and the United States last with 50,000.

Approximate figures for other nations were: France, 1,385,000; England, 800,000; Italy, 460,000; Turkey, 400,000; Belgium, 102,000; Rumania, 100,000; Serbia and Montenegro, 100,000.

Entire Tennessee Unit Assigned for Return

WASHINGTON, March 1.—Units assigned to early convey home from France, announced today by the war department, include the complete Thirtieth division (Tennessee, North Carolina and South Carolina national guards).

THIRTIETH SIXTH IN WAR HONORS AWARDED

WASHINGTON, March 1.—Of the total of 3,918 distinguished service crosses awarded for gallantry in action to American soldiers, Gen. March announced today, 664, or more than double the number given to any other division, went to the Second regulars. The First division of regulars came next with 200 crosses. The Third regulars, with 223, was third.

The 26th (New England national guard), fourth in the list with 223 crosses, and the 14th (New York national guard), fifth, with 211 crosses, were next. The 42d (Rainbow) came next with 205, and then the 30th (Tennessee, North Carolina, South Carolina and District of Columbia national guard) with 172.

Capt. Fraser Hinton, Maj. Max Henning and Capt. Frank Graham, of Memphis, Back From Overseas.

Capt. Fraser Hinton, who returned from France, stated that the 30th division was unable to enter Germany until the 11th of January, 1919, when they were ordered to enter. They were ordered to enter the Rhine and to the left bank of the Rhine. They were ordered to enter the Rhine and to the left bank of the Rhine. They were ordered to enter the Rhine and to the left bank of the Rhine.

YANKS IN ITALY ARE TO BE CONCENTRATED

WASHINGTON, March 1.—A cablegram from the American military attaché at Rome to the war department today announced that the 32d American division of home front troops, stationed at Genoa, Italy, is to be concentrated in the region of the return of the regiment to the United States.

BULK GRAIN EMBARGO PUT ON N. Y. HARBORS

CHICAGO, March 1.—The railroad administration today placed an embargo on shipments of bulk grain to New York harbor points. Exceptions may be made by the freight traffic committee.

FIRE DAMAGES HOME OF ATTY. CARUTHERS EWING

Sparks falling from the chimney caused a fire at the residence of Attorney Caruthers Ewing, 2282 Madison avenue, Saturday morning shortly after 9 o'clock and resulted in damage estimated at \$500. The blaze was confined to the roof, which was badly burned. Firemen extinguished the fire chiefly with chemicals and the water damage was small.

PALMER'S CONFIRMATION TO HIGH POST ASSURED

WASHINGTON, March 1.—The senate judiciary committee by unanimous vote ordered a favorable report on the nomination of A. Mitchell Palmer, alien property custodian, to be attorney-general, by the senate.

R. R. OFFICIAL QUILTS.

WASHINGTON, March 1.—Oscar A. Price today resigned as assistant to the director-general of railroads to become president of a new corporation organized to distribute motion picture films. Mr. Price was appointed in the railroad administration by former Director Gen. McAdoo, who recently was retained as general counsel for the moving picture corporation.

STREETS IMPROVED.

Work of regrading Goodland street between Jackson and Chelsea avenues and Leath streets, an aggregate of eight blocks, is going on rapidly at present. A layer of white rock is being laid and red rock will follow, to be crushed down with a steam roller. These two streets have been in bad fix since the extremely cold weather in January, 1918.

PAYS \$50 BOOZE FINE.

HUNTSVILLE, Ala., March 1. (Sp.)—J. D. Moore, of Elora, Tenn., was fined \$50 for violating the Alabama prohibition laws. He said the fine was turned over to the state authorities.

HATTON MEMPHIS MORNING PAPER MANAGER STORY

Report of Hours of Consultation With Barnette Moses Declared False With Qualification.

BOLTON SMITH CITES CITY CROWD DECEPTION

Commissioner Miller Has an Unprinted Letter From Wichita Giving Facts on City Manager Plan.

Dr. A. R. Hatton, who, with Newton D. Baker, now secretary of war, and Brand Whitlock, now American minister to Belgium, prepared the municipal home rule provisions of the Ohio constitution and who was called into consultation with Mr. Moses is a subject of the city manager plan. He is a subject of the city manager plan. He is a subject of the city manager plan.

The following telegram was sent to Dr. Hatton: "The following statement was reported to have been made before a specially called meeting of the City club last evening: 'Mr. Moses stated he spent several hours going over the charter with Dr. Hatton and said Dr. Hatton declared the personnel of the present city government of Memphis was better as a whole than the city manager scheme would provide.'"

The following is Dr. Hatton's answer: "If Mr. Moses is correctly quoted, his statement is false with qualification. I did not spend several hours going over the charter with Dr. Hatton. I dined with him at Peabody Sunday, Jan. 26, as his guest. We discussed the charter only incidentally. Aside from that occasion I never had any conversation with him. At no time have I made any declaration resembling the one he attributed to me. On the contrary, said many times that manager plan had improved personnel of city government elsewhere and would do so in Memphis."

Dr. Hatton stated that "Doc" Bolton claims to have found out in some circles that Mr. Hatton was a subject of the city manager plan and of whom the paper that declared him the leader in the fight against the city manager plan printed some things not so complimentary at that time. Misquoted Him, Too.

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WILSON EXPLAINS 3D TERM RUMOR

Candidacy of President Not Mentioned During Luncheon.

WASHINGTON, March 1.—In regard to published reports that President Wilson had been asked to run for a third term, the president today said he had no intention of doing so.

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GUARD FOOD SHIPMENTS SENT TO YANK UNITS

COBLENZ, March 1. (By the Associated Press).—Owing to reports of recent attempts to interfere with food shipments to American troops in food depots, the German government has ordered all guards on all cars containing foodstuffs to be increased.

Five hundred guards for American troops in Berlin and at the 29 Russian prisoner camps left Coblenz for Berlin yesterday. They were in charge of 10 soldiers, all of whom were armed. There were in addition, 10 men riding in the cars.

\$750,000,000 ADDED BY SENATE FOR RAILROADS

WASHINGTON, March 1.—In reporting favorably the general deficiency appropriation bill passed yesterday by the United States senate today the committee added today a rider to the bill authorizing \$750,000,000 additional for the railroad administration.

WILL CALL ELECTION.

LONDON, March 1.—The Hungarian cabinet has decided to issue orders for the election of a new constituent assembly during the first part of April over the whole country regardless of any occupation, according to a Reuters dispatch from Budapest. The step was considered necessary in view of the government's foreign policy. It is said.